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#### Another defeat for Mooseheads

The Mooseheads fell to the Wildcats 3-1, and have now lost six of their last

seven games. Halifax is back on home ice Saturday against Quebec.

Riots rage in London

Prince Charles' car attacked as students protest {page 12}

## Game on this holiday

Other birds make a tasty alternative to turkey (page 32)

# Officers did what they had to: Chief

▶ Inquiry ruled a 'physiological change' brought on by struggle with jail guards led to Howard Hyde's death
▶ Police chief says he thought report was 'very well done'

The officers who Tasered Howard Hyde 30 hours before his death did what they had to do, Halifax Regional Police Chief Frank Readley said Thursday.

Beazley said Thursday.

"I don't think the police officers in this case did anything wrong. They followed their training," said Beazley, responding for the first time since Hyde's death three years ago.

In a dramatic video of the altercation with officers, the chilling screams of a schizophrenic Hyde ring high above the sound of the Tasers penetrating his shirtless body.

But Tasers are not what killed Hyde, a 460-page report ruled Wednesday.

The 11-month inquiry, headed by Judge Anne Derrick, offers a number of recommendations to improve care for the mentally ill in the justice system, including using Tasers as a last resort.

Beazley said since the Nov. 21, 2007, incident, HRP has created a number of programs to train officers in mental health, adding this report takes it one step further.

"The training schedule will go over a period of a couple of years," he said, adding he already has 58 officers and booking officers at the trained level recommended by the inquiry, enough to have at least one



"What I will do, based on her comments — I will have our policy reviewed again."

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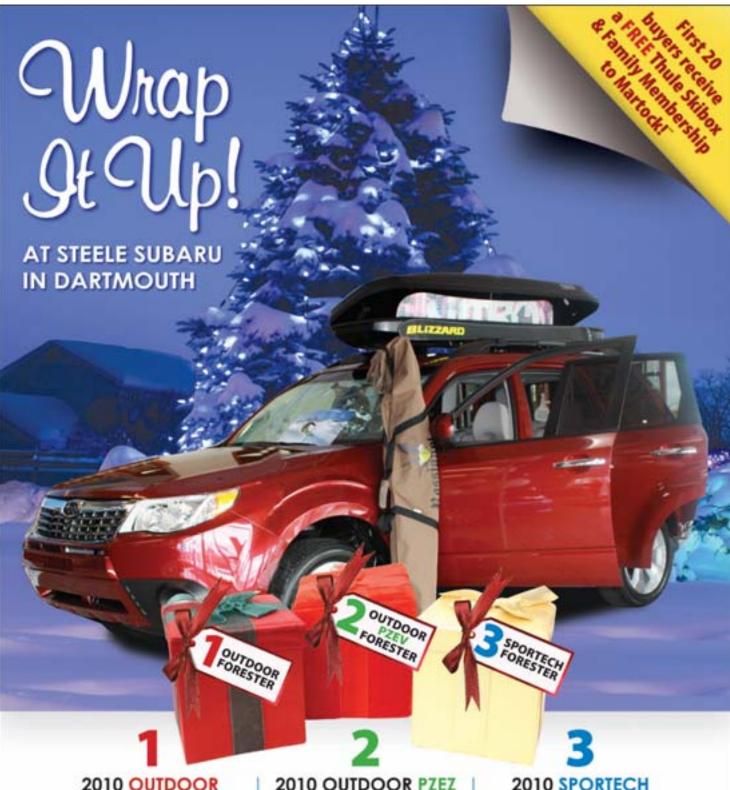
Beazley said he will assign one of his senior officers to study every recommendation and see how they can be implemented

Three years ago, Hyde's common-law wife accused him of assaulting her, and told police he had not been taking his medications.

At the police station, he became agitated and was Tasered several times. His heart stopped, but he was revived. The next day he died in a holding cell after a struggle with guards. • ALY TROMSON

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#### **NDP** defends education strategy

The threat of massive cuts to Nova Scotia's education budget continued to dominate debate in the legislature Thursday as opposition parties forced Premier Darrell Dexter onto

the defensive. Dexter told the legislature that his government's commitment was to provide a good-quality education for students but at the same time not burden future generations with an unmanageable debt.

Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil expressed concern that rural schools with smaller populations would be hit hard if the government followed through with a proposed 22 per cent cut to education budgets over the next three years.

The party's education critic Kelly Regan says it appears the government is trying to balance its budget on the back of students.

The province's school boards association says 70 schools would have to close to meet that size of reduction, throwing 4,000 people out of work and taking 200 buses off the roads.

Officials in the **Education Department say** there are no hard numbers in place for trimming budgets and that talks will continue to try to find a solution. THE CANADIAN PRESS



# Bill 100 opens up for business

• Government accepts some of business lobby's amendments • Both opposition leaders encouraged by government's willingness to listen





The Dexter government will attempt to meet opponents of Bill 100 halfway, accepting most of the business lobby's changes to the controversial labour

Premier Darrell Dexter indicated Thursday his government will intro-duce essentially three of four amendments to Bill 100 suggested by a coalition of 19 business advoca-

cy groups on Wednesday.

The move is the first sign of compromise after

opposition parties and business groups teamed up to pressure the government to change the bill. The opposition has stalled the bill's progress since Monday.

The suggested amendments basically limit the extension of successor rights to the privatization of government services, clarify the role of the labour management re-view committee with regards to union certification, and ensure public consultation on labour matters that extend beyond unionized workplaces.

Dexter said the amendments simply make explicit what he maintains was the government's inten-

"We're certainly willing to put forward amendments which would further reflect what we have already said the bill means," he said.

Luc Erjavec, the Atlantic vice-president of the Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association, said he wouldn't characterize this as a victory.

"Is this piece of legislation better than it was two weeks ago? Yes, it is. But it's not a great bill, we

#### Lots left to do

- There is some speculation that, with a compromise on Bill 100, the legislature may break for the holiday season Friday.
- But with still controversial bills on the docket, and Premier Darrell Dexter in Cape Breton for an announcement with Prime Minister Stephen Harper, that may be optimistic.

don't support the rationale for this bill, but it is better than it was two weeks ago," Eriavec said.





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# Two killed in Westville house fire

Two people are dead following a house fire in northeastern Nova Scotia.

Firefighters were called to the home on MacKay Street in Westville around 4:20 a.m. on Thursday.

The bodies of a 48-yearold woman and a 59-yearold man were found on the upper level of the twostorey home and have been taken to the medical examiner's office in Halifax.

The pair were the only two occupants of the home.

A cause isn't known and the home was completely destroyed in the blaze.

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#### Guilty plea in impaired driving death

A man has admitted to several offences in the crash of a car into a river two years ago that killed a young woman.

Christian Morine of Melanson has pleaded guilty to impaired driving causing death, impaired driving causing bodily harm, refusing the breathalyzer and assaulting a police officer.

The 30-year-old Morine will be sentenced next month.

He was driving a car that crashed through a guard rail into the Black River near Middleton in December of 2008.

The body of a passenger, 19-year-old Elizabeth Morrisette of Greenwood, wasn't found until the following May in the Annapolis River.

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## Who was 2010's top newsmaker?



# Next year's capital budget revealed

#### ◆ Total of \$560 million — down from \$711 million in 2010-11

Finance Minister Graham Steele revealed the tentative capital budget for 2011-12 on Thursday.

The plan includes \$465.7-million in capital funding for government departments, as well as \$94.3-million in capital grants.

It is the first time Nova Scotia has tabled a capital budget in advance of the spring budget. Steele said the practice allows contractors to have an idea as to what will be coming up for tender in the coming construction season — assuming all else is equal.

"It was sometimes problematic and always inefficient for uncertainty about the government's capital intentions to extend to budget time and into the start of the building season, which is short enough as it is," he said.

The plan includes \$151-million less than the current year's capital spending, partially due to the completion of federal stimulus spending. Despite the tightening of the federal tap, however, Steele still calls next year's plan significant.

"Obviously it won't have the same stimulative effect that a program of almost \$8-million would have ... there just won't be quite as many contracts on offer. But it's still a significant capital program," he said





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## Buyers chime in

Metro asked shoppers in Halifax Thursday how much they plan on spending this holiday season.

"I won't be spending that much. I think I might be spending around \$450."

"I basically spend around \$900 to \$1,200. Small family, very greedy."

"Being a student, I try to make my own gifts anyway ... I don't think I ever spend more than \$200 on Christmas gifts." KATIE DORIAN

"I think I'll spend around (the average of \$782), probably a little more."

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# Hey, big spender: Atlantic shoppers feeling generous

Atlantic Canada towers over national average in terms of holiday spending: Survey
 National average is up six per cent from 2009



Pearl Slack is spending a pretty penny this holiday season, but that doesn't mean she's dreaming of a material Christmas.

"I spend a lot on Christmas. I do a lot of shopping, probably about \$2,000, at least," she said inside Park Lane Mall Thursday. "But I think Christmas should go back to the way it was years ago — it should be a big meal and family and friends, it shouldn't be about presents."

Atlantic Canadians are in a giving mood this holiday season, spending about \$180 more than the national average on presents, two separate surveys revealed.



The NPD Group, a market research company, and Maritz Canada, a customer

loyalty firm, released surveys with similar results that showed about \$600 to

be the average amount Canadians will spend on each other in gifts.

#### Surveys

The NPD survey was conducted from Nov. 10 to 22, while the Maritz Canada survey was done from Oct. 14 to 24.

According to Maritz, Atlantic Canadians will spend \$782.

Phil Smith said he hasn't started his shopping yet, but predicts he won't be hitting the Atlantic average.

lantic average.

"I just have one daughter, so I can't imagine I would spend that much money," he said passing through the mall Thursday. "I don't really go out with an amount of money in mind. I go out with a list in mind of what I want to get."





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# Charges change in MacIntosh sex trial

 ♠ Accused extradited from India in 2007 ♠ Complainant admitted to inconsistencies in testimony

The judge at the Port Hawkesbury sex crimes trial of former Nova Scotia businessman Ernest Fenwick MacIntosh has agreed to changes in some of the charges.

The Crown had asked to change the dates within which four of the crimes are alleged to have occurred to conform to the evidence presented during the trial.

Chief Justice Joseph Kennedy accepted the date changes today, saying the dates don't make the charges any different.

The defence and Crown then agreed to take some time before moving forward — the trial will resume on Monday morning.

The 67-year-old MacIntosh is facing a total of 10 counts of indecent assault and gross indecency involving three complainants for offences alleged to have occurred

#### Time lapse

More than 15 years have passed since RCMP received complaints from men that they were sexually abused by MacIntosh as boys in Cape Breton.

in the 1970s.

Earlier this week, a complainant said MacIntosh touched him inappropriately when he was about 10 years old.

Another man testified this week that a widespread climate of denial in the 1970s about sexual abuse allowed his case to lie dormant for decades.

MacIntosh was convicted in July in a separate case of 13 counts of indecent assault and gross indecency and sentenced to four years.

He has appealed that conviction.

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#### **Manslaughter charges for Pictou man**

A Pictou County native working as a Toronto police officer has been charged with manslaughter.

According to reports in The Globe and Mail, Const. David Cavanagh, a police tactical officer, will appear in court Jan. 6 to answer to charges involving the death of 26-year-old Eric Osawe.

Thirty-four-year-old Ca-

Thirty-four-year-old Cavanagh is a member of Toronto's Emergency Task Force and has been commended in the past for being part of high-risk takedowns.

It is reported around 1 a.m. on Sept. 29, the Emergency Task Force arrived at Osawe's third-floor condominium, near Bloor Street and Kipling Avenue, to execute a search warrant. Osawe was shot and taken to St. Michael's Hospital, where he was pronounced

#### **Father of two**

A father of two, Osawe was born in Nigeria and grew up in Ontario. He spent time in prison and, released a few months before his death, had found work and moved away from his old neighbourhood.

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# Mounties looking into death

RCMP in Cape Breton are investigating what they say is the suspicious death of an 82-year-old man.

Police found Angus MacLean dead in his home Wednesday night after responding to a 911 call. THE CANADIAN PRESS



# Chumps at the checkpoints

Two got away and we got one, an officer saysWitnesses asked to contact police or Crime Stoppers



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Usually, drivers with something to hide try to make a subtle U-turn when they see a checkpoint.

But three drivers sped away from checkpoints Wednesday night — one reaching speeds of more than 100 km/h in a residential area.

The first incident occurred at 10:25 p.m. in Cole Harbour as RCMP officers stopped traffic on Highway 7. As an officer approached a grey Hyundai, the vehicle sped off, police said.

The vehicle was found abandoned on Leander Drive, but police were unable to locate the driver.

More than one hour lat-

#### Background

- The vehicle found abandoned on Leander Drive was a rental.
- Police hit a dead end trying to find the driver of the silver Kia.

er, at another Cole Harbour checkpoint, a silver Kia Sorrento allegedly avoided the stop and took off through a residential area travelling at more than 100 km/h, police said.

RCMP officers didn't pursue the vehicle because of public safety concerns.

Then, at 2 a.m. Thursday, police say a grey van was spotted trying to turn away from a checkpoint in Hammonds Plains.

Police followed the van

as it turned into a driveway. The driver jumped out and ran into the woods. A police dog was able to track down a suspect.

A 46-year-old man was arrested and charged with breaching his release conditions, trespassing, resisting arrest and several Motor Vehicle Act offences.

The driver avoided the checkpoint because he didn't have a licence, said Cpl. Scott MacRae.

Two of the three checkpoints were set up to look for drunk drivers, but MacRae said surprisingly it doesn't appear alcohol was a factor.

"But two got away and we got one, so we don't know," he said.

#### Union hails Hyde findings

The union representing 26 of the people who last saw Howard Hyde alive is happy with the results of the inquiry into his jail cell death.

The Nova Scotia Gov-

The Nova Scotta Government and General Employees Union (NSGEU) on Thursday



supported provincial court Judge Anne Derrick's report.

"We agree with Justice Derrick's overall conclusion that we need to create a culture of respect for people with mental illness and we agree with the recommendations she has made to help us do that," said union president Joan Jessome.

Derrick rejected a medical examiner's conclusion that the mentally ill Nova Scotia man died of excited delirium.

Hyde's death was caused by a struggle with jail guards, the judge's report said.

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# University suspends team after tragedy

**○** Volleyball team shelved for violating school's hazing policy **○** Coach wasn't aware of party: School president

St. Thomas University in New Brunswick has suspended its men's volleyball team for the rest of the school year after concluding it organized a hazing party attended by a team member who later died.

Andrew Jason Bartlett was found dead in a Fredericton apartment in October after going to a party with teammates. Police said criminal activity did not lead to the 21-year-old man's death but that alcohol was a contributing factor in an accidental fall that killed him.

The university launched its own investi-



gation after rumours surfaced that an initiation party had been held.

University president Dennis Cochrane said the review, carried out by registrar Larry Batt and athletics director Mike Eagles, shows that team members made a collective decision to buy alcohol and that rookie players such as Bartlett were required to pay more than the veteran members of the team.

Cochrane said a party involving drinking games began on-campus before migrating off-campus, but added there was no evidence that anyone was forced to drink.

"In no way does this indicate that the volleyball team players are responsible for Andrew Bartlett's death," he said.

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#### **Burn victim awarded \$400K**

Burn victim Robin Tomah of Millbrook has been awarded a monetary judgment against her two attackers.

The decision by Nova Scotia Supreme Court Judge Douglas MacLellan, which awards more than \$400,000, was released yesterday, following a civil lawsuit held in October against JoAnne Sylliboy and Vincent Bezanson.

Tomah, 43, had sought a judgment amount of \$727,572 in general, specific and aggravated damages, as well as loss of income, interest costs and other relief as deemed warranted by the court for injuries suffered during a violent attack in August 2001 that

resulted in third-degree burns to her upper body.

Corrective measures included many skin grafts and other surgeries. In the years since the attack, Tomah has endured 18 operations, including six on one hand to repair damage to a little finger that remains deformed.

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# Angry mob attacks Prince Charles' limo

#### • Heir to the throne keeps his royal cool, pushes wife to the floor of car

do looks anxiously ahead as a protester's fist pounds on his car.

His wife Camilla's mouth opens in shock.

These are the dramatic images captured as student protesters vented their anger on the most elite of targets — a car containing the heir to the throne.

The couple were heading to a London theatre Thursday when their Rolls Royce met a volatile gang of demonstrators.

The royal Rolls was attacked with fists, boots and bottles.

"Off with their heads!" the mob chanted.

Up to 20 attack-20 ers surrounded Charles' limousine and pounded it with fists and bottles, smashing a window and splashing the car with paint.

The protesters had broken off from a large student rally and were spreading mayhem among Christmas shoppers.

They broke a Starbucks window and overturned a couple of postcard stands.

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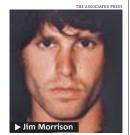
This is the end for the wild concert 41 years ago that left Jim Morrison marked with what today would be considered sex offender status.

Florida's Clemency Board, egged on by departing Gov. Charlie Crist, pardoned The Doors' long-dead singer Thursday on indecent exposure and profanity charges stemming from the show.

Some people who were at the Miami concert March 1, 1969, insist even today that he exposed himself, though others in the audience and Morrison's bandmates contend he was just teasing the crowd and only pretended to do the deed.

Crist, tuned in to the controversy by a Doors fan, said there was enough doubt about what happened at the Dinner Key Auditorium to justify a pardon.

The board, which consists of Crist and a threemember cabinet, voted unanimously to pardon Morrison as it granted sev-



eral other pardons Thursday

At the hearing, the governor called the convictions a "blot" on the record of an accomplished artist for "something he may or may not have done."

He said Morrison died before he was afforded the chance to present his appeal, so Crist was doing that for him. Board members pointed out several times that they couldn't retry the case but the pardon forgave Morrison and negated his sentence.

"In this case the guilt or innocence is in God's hands, not ours," Crist said.

Morrison had received a six-month jail sentence — never served — and a \$500 fine for the 1970 convictions. Morrison's appeals were never resolved. He was found dead in a Paris bathtub in 1971 at age 27.

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#### Calgary Sally Ann not Harry Potter fans

The Salvation Army says a decision by its Calgary branch not to hand out toys that it feels promote black magic, the occult and vampires is not a national policy. Among the donated toys not being given away to needy Calgary teens are Harry Potter' books, action figures and DVDs, along with Twilight merchandise— all big hits with many youngsters this time of year.

Capt. Pam Goodyear, an Alberta spokeswoman with the Christian-based charity, said the decision came after a "significant" number of

#### **Book bashing?**

J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter books have been criticized from some Christian and Muslim groups who feel the story has undertones of occultism.

- The Twilight Series has also faced some religious objections.
- The American Library
  Association put the series
  at No. 5 on its list of books
  with the most formal complaints in 2009.

complaints from parents whose children have received such gifts in their hampers in previous years. Goodyear said each branch makes the decision on its own and she wasn't aware of a similar policy at any other location.

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## **Publication ban lifted**

▶ Ban suppressed all information about guilty plea in death of 8-year-old Tori Stafford ▶ Lawyers labelled case an anomaly, not a precedent-setting example ▶ Six media outlets made legal challenge against restrictions

The publication ban that kept the outcome of a high-profile Ontario murder trial under wraps for months sounded alarm bells for legal observers across the country and resulted in the

secret conviction of a troubled teenager, experts said Thursday.

The ban was handed down in a Woodstock courtroom April 30 when Terri-Lynne McClintic pleaded guilty to first-degree murder in Tori Stafford's death and was sentenced to life in prison. The lawyer for Mc-Clintic's co-accused, Michael Rafferty, sought to maintain the ban, arguing it was needed to preserve his client's right to a fair trial. The resulting restrictions forbid the press from reporting any details about the proceedings.

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## Women fared better than men during the recession

More than 55% of women were either doctors or dentists in 2009

Women fared better during the recession, thanks to a pattern of employment in industries less susceptible to economic shifts and an increasing presence in high paying professions.

When it comes to employment numbers women were hit less hard then men during the economic

downturn.

They also continued to hold far more part-time jobs than men, but made significant gains in professions where they would earn a higher paycheque.

In 2009, the employment rate for women was 58.3 per cent, a one per cent dip from a historic high of 59.3 per cent in 2008. By comparison, in 2009 the employment rate for men was 65.2 per cent, a 2.9 per cent decline from the previous year.

The jobless rate for women was still high, hitting 7 per cent in 2009, the highest since 2003.

For men it reached 9.4

per cent in 2009, the highest rate since 1996.

The statistics were laid out in a released portion of Women in Canada: A Gender-based Statistical Report, from Statistics Canada tracking women's status in the labour market back to 1976

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#### **Professions**

The report showed that women dominate in service industries, including health care.

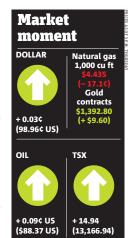
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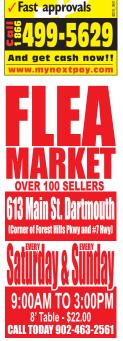
Shares of Canadian yoga clothing retailer Lululemon Athletica Inc. surged more than 14 per cent Thursday as the company said new product lines and strong online sales helped third-quarter results soar past analyst expectations.

Earlier Thursday, the company reported that its net profit rose to \$25.9 million US or 36 cents a share for the period end-

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#### Lululemon | Number of nurses rises by 9%

Canada's nursing workforce has grown significantly in the last five vears but still falls short of the level the profession had achieved two decades ago relative to the population, says a report by the Canadian Institute for Health Information. The CIHI report shows Canada gained more than 27,000 nurses between 2005 and 2009, bringing the total of regulated nurses to about 348,500 — a nine per cent increase. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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#### 5 MINUTES WITH: STEVE LOSTY

The CIBC investment banker out-'stached the competition by corralling his team — and, by extension, Canada — to raise the most money for Movember.

#### Congratulations! That's got to feel good.

Yeah, I mean this is the third year we've done it and CIBC is pretty charity-focused, but this was a relatively new one for us. I think it opens up the idea of charity to that 25- to 35-year-old male who's probably not a big United Way giver, for example, but who would get behind something like this.

What do you think propelled your team to first place?

I think it's just numbers. We had something like 260 people participating so the more people you get, the more the fundraising dollars go up. Rick McCreary was our top fundraiser and a lot of his fundraising was through the clients he's worked with over the years who are probably right in the demographic of those affected by this disease.

#### How did you rally everyone on your team to the top?

Harassed them (laughs). We've got some great, creative folks in our marketing group that sent out some funny weekly updates. And a big thing on Bay Street generally is

rankings; who's raising more money than who. So we did have a lot of friendly competition as well, and that was a good way of motivating people to raise more.

#### Be honest: Which one of you grew the best 'stache?

You know, Rick's was pretty good. We haven't actually awarded the best 'stache, we'll probably do that later.

#### How did your 'stache stack up?

It wasn't that great. I got hooked up to Canada AM last week for the shave down, so I had to get it shaved off on TV, which was pretty embarrassing. All for a good cause,

though.

Best part of the experience for you?

The best part is knowing we raised a lot of money for a good cause and played a part in growing the campaign. Last year it raised \$8 million in Canada and this year it looks like it's heading toward \$21 million.

Any plans to go to (secondplace) Australia just to gloat? (Laughs) No, not yet. I think some of the Australian firms like Macquarie have started to step it up into corporate dollar matching because I think they were a little irritated not having raised the most. © JORDANA DIVON

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## Adding colour to politics

#### Letters & Tweets

We asked: What do you think about Don Cherry getting involved in politics?

TORONTO. Don Cherry involved in politics? If Don had brains he would really be dangerous. He doesn't like French hockey players, Russian hockey players and Swedish hockey players all being "unCanadian." Who does he like? Anyone with pockets full of cash, and the little guy, or pinkos as he calls us, are we not supposed to have an opinion that differs from his? The word democracy is not in his yocabulary.

To remind Don, a little man called Tommy



Douglas was voted the most famous Canadian by Canadians and Don, you weren't even close on the ballot. Pinko beats out sour Grapes. I. CONNELLY

**TORONTO.** The taxpayers of Toronto were offended by seven years of inefficiency and abuse on our quality of life by a left-leaning council (a.k.a. left-wing pinkos).

Don Cherry gave a threeminute speech, which has no legislative impact and the sensitive residual leftwing councillors are offended? Get over it.

I was at city hall and the crowd laughed at Cherry's speech and moved on. The last council did harm to us, Don Cherry's speech has not. And I ride a bicycle!

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#### Metro Minute at Beauty And The Beast

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#### News in brief



Howard Stern says he's staying with Sir-iusXM Radio. The loose-lipped shock jock announced Thursday that he has signed a new five year contract. No other terms were initially disclosed. Stern had been locked for months in stormy negotiations as his original five-year deal, worth \$500 million, neared its end just days from now. Earli-er this week, he declared in salty terms on his radio show that he would not accept a pay cut if he stayed.

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# After 28 years, Tron nets Bridges again

• Actor impressed, intimidated by the technology used to let him play his younger self • Tron: Legacy pushes boundaries like its predecessor



Although 28 years have passed between Tron and the new Tron: Legacy, it didn't exactly feel that way for star Jeff Bridges. "It's like we had a long weekend and we're just back doing the same work. It's crazy," he says. Yet Bridges says making the decision to return to the computerized world of Tron wasn't easy - but then no decision is for him.

"I have a lot of hesitation making any kind of decision in my life. I'm really slow at it," he says. "My mother says that I

have abulia. It's like a mental disorder, I guess — having difficulty making decisions."

One of the factors aiding Bridges' indecision was the technology used in the new film, which like its predecessor pushes the technical boundaries of filmmaking. "With this one, I thought, Oh God, are they going to pull it off?" Bridges says.

The most high-profile technical trick on display involves Clu, one of the two characters Bridges plays in the film — only Clu looks like the actor did decades ago. The filmmakers used the techniques that made Brad Pitt age in The Curious Case of Ben"I thought we could use a modern-day myth about the challenge of technology and how we're going to surf that particular wave." jeff bridges, on the

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iamin Button to rejuvenate Bridges. It's something that leaves Bridges' mind blown, to put it lightly.

"It's wild to be able to go back there and play different ages. It opens up a whole world." he says. "And they'll be able to combine actors. I don't know quite how I feel about this, but that's coming up, too. Just to say, you know, 'Let's get Boxleitner and Bridges, and put a little Brando in there. See what happens.' And then they can hire some other actor to drive that image that they've created. It's getting pretty crazy."

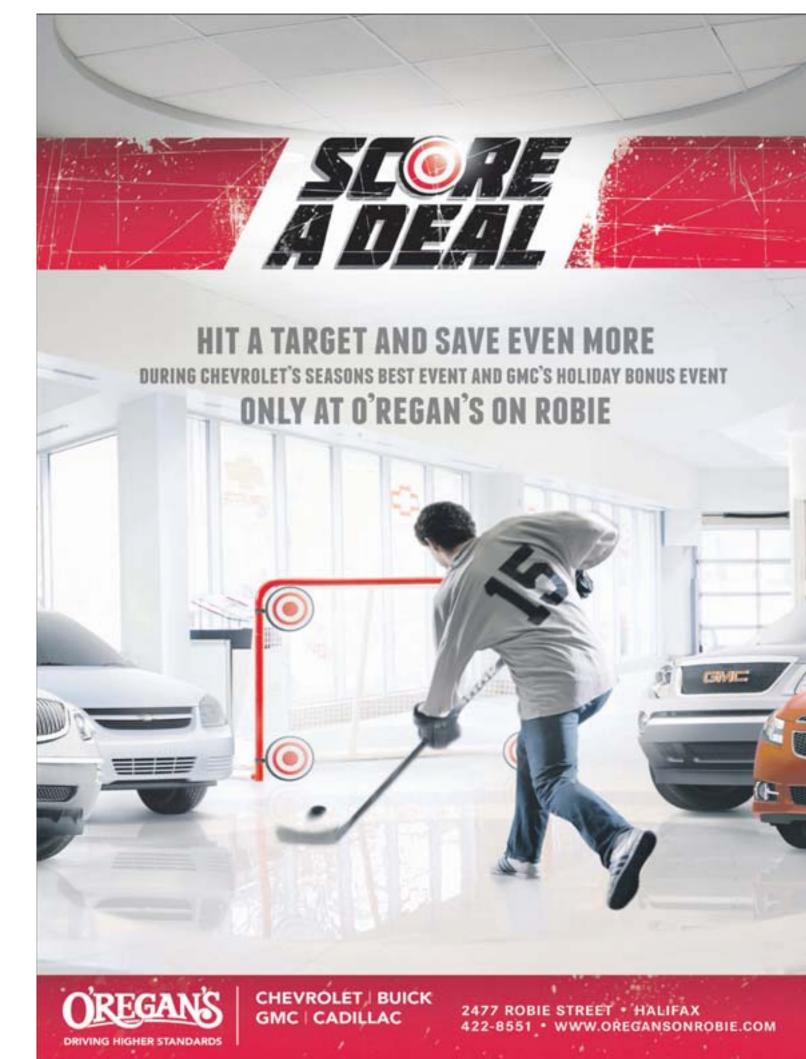
So does that mean he'll now be competing with younger co-stars like Gar-rett Hedlund for roles? Because certainly they'd take issue with that. The idea makes Bridges laugh. "No, I haven't thought about that," he says. "That's funny."

Of course, Bridges sees Tron: Legacy as more than just a movie, even a technologically groundbreak-

#### Where's Oscar?

Life changing. Jeff Bridges' Academy Award win earlier this year for Crazy Heart has certainly changed his life, but he's just not sure how yet. "I think it has, but I haven't really figured that out entirely, because about a day after the Oscars I went right to work on True Grit," he says. As for where to put the little gold guy, the preternaturally playful actor had one idea that has yet to come to fruition. "They didn't really do this, but I thought it would be fun. I was going to ask my wife or my kids or whoever, Take this and hide it at different spots in the house. We can discover it. Bridges says with a grin.





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# Bale brings plenty of energy to Fighter

◆ Actor plays boxer/trainer Dickie Eklund who struggled with a crack addiction ◆ Movie brother Wahlberg helped Bale get the Boston accent perfected



Christian Bale has dropped dramatic weight for roles before — most notably in The Machinist and Rescue Dawn — so shedding pounds for The Fighter, in which he plays manic boxer Dickie Eklund, who wrestled for years with a crack addiction, wasn't necessarily new territory.

This time, though, Bale's been watching his tongue. "Usually I always say, 'Oh, I do a lot of coke whenever I lose weight," Bale says. "I'm not sure if it's so funny for this movie to say that."

In reality, he got thin by running — and running and running.

ning and running.

"I was just running like crazy. I could just run for hours on end and I felt really healthy," he says.

Building up that stamina was important to playing the fast-talking, livewire Eklund. On screen, Bale is a perpetual motion machine, Dickie's out-of"If I'd done it exactly like Dickie, we would have needed subtitles, probably."

CHRISTIAN BALE, ON GETTING THE ACCENT FOR DICKIE EKLUND

control energy threatening to derail the boxing career of younger brother Mickey Ward (Mark Wahlberg).

Bale found a great resource in co-star Wahlberg, who also produced the film, especially since Bale needed to master Wahlberg's native Roston accent

"Mark was a great deal of help," Bale says. "He would never say anything, but he'd just get a certain look on his face when you said something, that you just knew that wasn't it."

Of course, he also had Eklund himself to rely on, as the man he was playing was present for much of the production, though he insists he couldn't completely mimic his real-life counterpart.

"Dickie's got his own

thing going on, you know? He calls it 'Dickienese,'" Bale says. "If I'd done it exactly like Dickie, we would have needed subtitles, probably."

But having Eklund around while trying to recreate his story wasn't always easy, Bale admits.

"There were a couple of times I had to physically restrain Dickie from going and landing one right on (director) David (O. Russell)," Bale says. "There were some script changes going on, and Dickie wasn't initially totally understanding that sometimes in putting a whole life into two hours, a little bit of license has to be taken and mixing things up. He wanted everything initially to be absolutely how it was portrayed. And if it wasn't, there was a couple of times he would say, 'I'm gonna go and I'm gonna hit him.'"

But as for the finished

But as for the finished product, Eklund's reaction to the film says everything. "After we showed him the movie, he didn't punch any of us," Bale says with a laugh.

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# Timberlake gets geeky

Actor-musician loved getting back to his childhood favourite Enjoyed working with Aykroyd



Justin Timberlake is quickly learning that to properly express how he feels about his turn as soft-spoken side-kick Boo Boo in the new Yogi Bear movie, he'll have to let his nerd flag fly.

"At the risk of ruining my social life," he begins cautiously, "I would entertain my parents by imitating Scooby Doo and Boo Boo - all the cartoon voices. You know that about me now, which is weird."

After impressing critics earlier this year in The Social Network, Timberlake was happy to take on something a little simpler.

"I did a film about the birth of social networking, and it drove me crazy even

being a part of that movie," he says. "It's way beyond my brain span."

The combination of live action and animation in Yogi Bear means Timberlake's job was all in the recording studio, and it hasn't escaped him that he and Dan Aykroyd, who voices Yogi, had the easier job in the film, compared to his fleshand-blood co-stars.

"Anna (Faris) and Tom (Cavanagh), they had way harder jobs than we did," he says. "I've never worked in that way where you're looking at tennis balls or leaves as reference points."

The key to nailing Yogi and Boo Boo's chemistry was to go against the traditional process for animated films, in which the actors come in one by one to record their parts. Instead, Timberlake and Aykroyd



worked together.

"We had two or three sessions together because we really did see this as a Batman and Robin — if you will — sort of duo," Timberlake says. "It really made a difference with the rhythm of the banter between Yogi and Boo Boo. It was a very cool collaboration. We had

a lot of fun doing it." But while his job consisted of hanging out in a recording studio goofing off with Aykroyd, there was still actual work to be

"Getting the voice of Boo Boo, I had someone on hand with the old '60s and '70s cartoons and I would

sit there and listen to it in between takes and before we would start our sessions," he says. "It would take me 15 to 20 minutes to really get — this is all really boring, geeky vocal stuff — but to get your palate to the right level of the character. So after the first 20 minutes, I would go back and reeverything record done in the first half hour because you just get in the pocket of the tone and inflection.'

Timberlake stops, shaking his head. "I'm really killing any sort of coolness I had before I got here," he savs

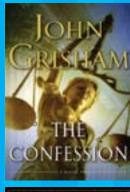














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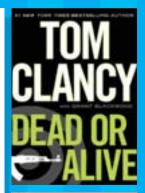
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#### GREAT KIDS' FILMS OF THE '80S



nce upon a time Disney had a corner on the kid's action adventure market. Sunday at six was reserved for the Walt Disney's Wonderful World of Color and for a couple of hours once a week, movies like Race from Witch Mountain, Kidnapped and Treasure Island mixed plucky kids, mild action, exotic locations and lots of adventure.

The genre hasn't gone away. New movies like this weekend's The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader still give kids a thrill ride, but I still get a nostalgic kick out of older, simpler action adventure flicks.

Though it wasn't a Disney film, The Goonies breathes the same air as Walt's kids classics. The adventure begins when a group of kids calling themselves The Goonies find One-Eyed Willy's treasure map. Sprinkle in some crazy inventions, a baddie played by Throw Mama from the Train star Anne Ramsey, a title track by Cyndi Lauper and Spielberg-esque storytelling and you have one of the best loved kids rooms from the 1980s

loved kids romps from the 1980s.

Speaking of Spielberg, without his ET we wouldn't have had Flight of the Navigator. After ET's successful mix of kids and aliens a whole slew of movies tried to cash in on that formula. The story of a 12-year-old boy who disappears, only to return eight years later without having aged a day had it all: intelligence, a glib navigational computer and a cameo by Sarah Jessica Parker as a NASA orderly with punk rock pink hair.

Parker as a NASA orderly with punk rock pink hair. Two other early '80s fantasy adventure films feature wild creatures and magical lands, a perfect combo for a classic adventure.

In The NeverEnding Story, a young hero must save his country, Fantasia, from something even worse than an evil king. He must stop a creeping wave of nothingness. It may be the most existential kids movie ever, but woven into the fabric of the story are cool characters like the Rockbiter and Gmork the evil wolf.



Perhaps the best, although most underrated fantasy film is 1982's The Dark Crystal. Directed by Muppet master Jim Henson, the film sees a Gelfling setting off to find the missing piece of a magical crystal in order to restore to his world. A minor hit when it was released, this masterful kid's movie is finally getting a much deserved sequel, The Power of the Dark Crystal, scheduled for release in 2011.

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#### The Tourist

**Genre:** Action/Thriller **Director:** Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck

Stars: Johnny Depp, Angelina Jolie and Paul Bettany

After his blistering 2007 drama The Lives of Others, anytime German director Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck makes a movie, this critic stands at full attention. Shame then that his splashy Hollywood debut The Tourist is so crushingly inert, a pretty, high gloss dud that exhibits little of the sizzle that made Others such a visceral ride.

Johnny Depp dials it down as a nebbishy math teacher vacationing abroad, who brushes up against (there are worse fates) smoldering British she-spy Angelina Jolie and gets himself deeply mired in a convoluted plot involving Russian baddies and government secrets all set against the always gorgeous, cinema-friendly backdrop of Venice. It's a romantic action caper flick that has no fire lit under it, coasting on its star power and offering few — if any – genuine thrills or intrigue. O CHRIS ALEXANDER

#### The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

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Stars: Georgie Henley, Ben
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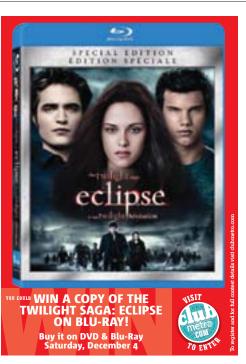
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At 113 minutes, the third big-screen adaptation of C.S. Lewis's Narnia book series may be the franchise's most adroit, but the brevity is not without its cost. When young Lucy and Edmund Pevensie (along with their perpetually annoying cousin) are sucked back into Narnia, they set forth



on an island-hopping quest for magical swords that will save the fantastical world from doom. Simple enough, but with seven sabers and a schooner-load of adventures to be had, director Michael Apted overloads the film by attempting to fit everything in, stifling its momentum. •STEVE COW







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#### **HALIFAX**

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Burlesque (PG) Dolby Stereo Fri-Thu 1:10-3:55-

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (PG) Dolby Stereo, N Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:40-4:35-7:15-

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader 3D (PG) Dolby Stereo, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1-1:15-3:40-4:05-6:30-6:50-9:20-9:40

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7:15-9:35

Faith, Fraud, & Minimum Wage (STC)

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Unstoppable (PG) Dolby Stereo, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:35-4:10-6:45-9:25

#### IMAX

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Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1: The IMAX Experience (PG) Dolby Stereo, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Wed 1:30-6:20-9:30 Dolby Stereo, No Passes, Stadium Seating Thu 1:30-6:40

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#### **LOWER SACKVILLE**

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#### **TRURO**

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#### **BRIDGEWATER**

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PREP TIME: 25 MIN. ➤ TOTAL TIME: 50 MIN ➤ MAKES: 17 SERVINGS

#### **What You Need** 1 cup water

Morning Glory (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:15

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Seating Wed-Thu 1:55-4:30-6:50-9:30

1/4 cup butter

Dash cayenne pepper

1 cup flour

3 eggs

1 cup Kraft Old Cheddar Shredded Cheese

1/4 cup Kraft 100% an Grated Cheese

2 Tbsp. chopped fresh chives

#### Make it

HEAT oven to 400°F. BRING water butter and

cayenne to boil in medium saucepan on medium heat, stirring frequently with wooden spoon. Add flour all at once; stir until well blended. Cook and stir 2 min. or until mixture forms ball.

ADD eggs, 1 at a time, stirring after each until well blended. Stir in remaining ingredients. Drop level tablespoonfuls of dough, about 2 inches apart, onto baking sheets sprayed with cooking spray.

BAKE 20 min. or until puffed and golden brown. Turn oven off. Leave gougères in oven 5 min. Serve warm.

Nutrition Information Per Serving – 2 gougères (18 g): Calories 90, Total fat 6 g, Saturated fat 3.5 g, Cholesterol 45 mg, Sodium 95 mg, Carbohydrate 6 g, Dietary fibre 0 g, Sugars 0 g, Protein 4 g, Vitamin A 6 %DV, Vitamin C 0 %DV, Calcium 6 %DV, Iron 4 %DV.

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#### A JOLLIER CHRISTMAS PLAYLIST

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"Holly Jolly
Christmas?"
Find yourself
screaming
whenever you hear "Feliz
Navidad" by Jose Felicano?
Then maybe you need to
adopt an entirely new
Christmas playlist. Here's
what's new for 2010.

"Christmas is Here" by Buckcherry: The result of a bluesy jam designed to come up with a Christmas song, this mid-tempo rocker is surprisingly festive.

"Christmas Lights" by Coldplay: Their last seasonal song was their version of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" on a tough-to-find 2002 compilation. This new original song sets things up for two U.K. gigs in aid of a British charity for the homeless called Crisis this Sunday and Monday.

"Santa Stole My Lady" by Fritz and the Tantrums: There's lots of buzz around this indie band with the huge soul influence. This track sounds like it could have been recorded at Berry Gordy's studio in Detroit in 1968.

"Boots" by The Killers: The band still might be on a break as singer Brandon Flowers works his solo record, but everyone came back together for the fifth



annual recording of a Killers Christmas single. Proceeds from this year's track will go toward the Product Red campaign, which raises awareness about the scourge of AIDS in Africa.

"Peppermint Winter" by Owl City: Adam "Owl City" Young has had an eventful couple of years thanks to his Ocean Eyes album. He's decided to cap 2010 with a paean to his idealized winter wonderland.

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Night Castle by Trans-Siberian Orchestra: Who knew that a mix of power metal, rock opera and classical music would work so well? They've sold over seven million concert tickets and are the secondbiggest catalogue artist for Atlantic Records. Only Led Zeppelin has sold more. Really. Try "Nutrocker," a reimagining of "The Nutcracker."

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# Writing songs 'not the easiest thing ... for me:' Feist

As Leslie Feist begins crafting a new record, she says she doesn't feel burdened by any extra pressure due to the astonishing success of her 2007 breakthrough, The Reminder.

Feist — who says she'll record a new album this winter — says that her approach to songwriting hasn't changed a bit.

It's exactly as arduous

and painstaking as ever.

"I feel the same as I always did, which is that every song feels like the last one I'll ever write," she told The Canadian Press in a recent telephone interview from Tanata

view from Toronto.

"Because it's not the easiest thing in the world for me"

To illustrate the point, the affable pop songwriter — who releases an intimate new DVD documentary, Look at What the Light Did Now, on Tuesday — relates the story of her former roommate, prolific songwriter Dave Szigeti.

"I used to joke that he had a giant song vacuum, and he would suck all of the songs out of the air in the apartment and leave none for me, because he was writing so many songs," she said with a laugh.

She feels largely the same way about her former bandmate in By Divine Right, Jose Contreras, for whom songwriting seems "the most natural thing in the world, like he's dealing cards."

"I think there are some people in the world that it works for them," she says. "But for me, it's little fragments and little pieces and then they finally find each other, and then they kind of become songs like that."

MEDIAVIEWER WIRE SOURCE



#### 7th heaven



#### ALEXANDER MCQUEEN

**FASHION** 

The late designer was honoured with the British Fashion Institute's Outstanding Achievement in Fashion Design for the body of work he created during his career.

#### WRITERS GUILD

**AWARDS** 

Still celebrating its Emmy Award win, Modern Family is now in contention for three Writers Guild Awards. Also nominated are 30 Rock, Breaking Bad, Glee, Nurse Jackie and Boardwalk Empire. The awards are handed out in February.

#### DESPICABLE ME

Steve Carell's tale of a criminal mastermind who's heart is warmed by the sudden arrival of a trio of orphaned girls hits store and rental shelves on Tuesday. The release includes extras, like previews of the Despicable Me game.



#### JAMES CAMERON

What's next for the Canada-born filmmaker?

Well, looks like he is going to team up with anoth-

er iconic Canuck institution. Deadline.com reports the producer and director will make a 3-D film centred on Cirque du Soleil.

#### PANTONE iCASES

**PRODUCTS** 

Fed up with your tired old iPad skin?

The company Case Scenario recently teamed up with Pantone — the curators of colour and colour systems — to create iPad and iPhone cases based on its palette of hues. Visit case-scenario.com for more info.

#### **DWTS**TELEVISION

Portia de Rossi is one half of one of the world's most famous same-sex couples, but PopEater.com reports it wasn't enough for her to be part of Dancing with the Stars' first same-sex dance couple.

The website reports that de Rossi — who is married to Ellen DeGeneres — turned down an offer to compete last season with a female dance partner.



## JAMES FRANCO TELEVISION

Seventh Heaven favourite James Franco is not one to sit still.

The actor is currently attending university, working in film, writing books and creating art.

Well, General Hospital fans will want to tune in as Franco returns to the soap opera this February for a couple of episodes. He appeared in a number of GH episodes this past July.



#### Mix of Six

#### Theatre Wizard of Oz

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**Sports** 

**When**: Through January. **Where**: Neptune Theatre's Fountain Hall

Neptune Theatre is following the yellow brick road with the musical version the story. Visit neptunetheatre.com.

When: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, 2 and 7:30 p.m.

Where: Rebecca Cohn Au-

presents the popular show that weaves its mag-

ic with dramatic narra-

tive dance. For tickets and show times, visit symphonynovascotia.ca.

When: Saturday, 7 p.m.

Where: Halifax Metro

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When: Friday, 8 p.m.

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classics and new material.

Dave Carroll leads his

Christmas

**When:** Through Dec. 19 **Where:** Alderney Landing Theatre

Presented by Halifax's Lonely Hearts Club, this event is designed to help singles find love. Tickets are \$43, plus tax. Phone 461-8401.

#### Halifax Mooseheads Festival

**Festival of Lights** 

When: Saturday, 1 to 3:30

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Where: Dartmouth North

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# Brangelina adding more to brat pack?

▶ Jolie tells Larry King they're open to it ▶ Says paparazzi makes it hard

It looks like Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt might not be stopping at the six kids they already have.

Jolie tells Larry King that while they have no immediate plans to add more children to their clan, they "are always open (to the idea)."

Of course, another kid would mean more worry about avoiding paparazzi, Jolie admits.

"Well, we try not to get them into the middle of it," she says.

"We try to get them around things and under things (to hide from paparazzi).



Jennifer Aniston is reportedly less than thrilled with new pal Chelsea Handler's recent stand-up tirade against Angelina Jolie, according to Popeater.

"Jen has gone out of her way to keep her private feelings about that woman who stole her husband private and has always asked her friends to do the

same," a source says.
"She is furious with Chelsea for bringing the whole situation back to life again and landing her on the cover of a weekly magazine tomorrow with a Brad (Pitt) headline. She hates drama or unnecessary attention and certainly doesn't want to ever see her face on a tabloid again with a headline about Angie or Brad."

Jolie met Pitt while on filming on the set of a movie they were making.





#### Ring coming for Witherspoon



Reese Witherspoon might have a big surprise headed her way in the very near future.

Her boyfriend, Jim Toth, was reportedly spotted recently consulting with jewelers for an engagement ring, according to Radar Online.

"He was looking for something pretty around three or pretty four Reese probably carats. wouldn't wear anything larger than that since she's not showy," a source says of the CAA talent agent. "Price wasn't an issue.

#### **Talking points**

#### **Nude pics** of Aguilera hit the web

TO BE FOLLOWED SHORTLY BY THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF HER REALITY TV SHOW As if all the attention she's getting for her divorce and new relationship weren't enough, Christina Aguilera now has to deal with naked pictures of her leaking online, according to Hollyscoop.

"The photos of Christina Aguilera being leaked to the press were illegally obtained by a hacker who tapped into Christina's personal stylist's account," her rep says in a statement. "The photos were taken in the privacy of Ms. Aguilera's home and were used only in a personal exchange between the star and her stylist."

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Simpson's new chances with her second marriage.

Despite earlier reports that she and fiancé Eric Johnson wouldn't be signing a pre-nuptial agreement, the singer is

reportedly having the document prepared. "There will definitely be a prenup. Jessica has said she wants one," a source tells Us Weekly.

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# Get your game on



#### • Farmed game birds will be on many menus for Christmas dinner this year as Canadians opt for something other than traditional turkey

That partridge in a pear tree might well be on your plate for Christmas dinner this year.

Although it is not considered a huge surge in the game bird industry, many Canadians are opting for something new this holi-

day season.

"I see a growing demand for game birds especially at this time of year," says Elaine Atlin, owner of La Ferme Black River Game Farm in Pefferlaw, Ont., an importer and distributor of game, poultry and gourmet products.

Dave Meli, owner of the Healthy Butcher in Toronto, savs many of the customers for farmed game birds, including pheasant, quail, squab and guinea fowl, partridge and goose, are immigrants.

"Asians are the largest demographic when it comes to game birds," he says. "Others who want to try them often balk at the price of \$16 a pound for partridge as opposed to Cornish hens, which retail

Nevertheless, there is an appetite for game birds to be sure, says Leila Batten, owner of White House Meats at Toronto's St. Lawrence Market. Her firm specializes in a large selection of game birds.

The reason they are pricey is the processing costs charged to farmers, she says. "If you are pro-cessing hundreds of thousands, the cost is lower. But when you are looking at under 100 birds you know your costs are going to be higher."

All three agree that one of the most popular game birds is Cornish hens.

These miniature chickens weigh up to 1.2 kilograms. Because they have a relatively small amount of meat to bone, each hen is usually just enough for one serving. They are best broiled or roasted.

Meli says you can get twice as much meat on a Cornish hen at half the price of pheasant or partridge. "It all boils down to what you expect to pay."

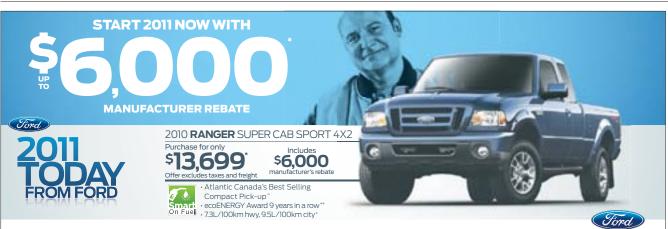
Batten says she is seeing more interest in game birds for small dinner parties, especially couples entertaining in smaller-sized

#### Serving size

Here's how to gauge how many servings you can expect to get from each bird:

- 1 serving equals 2 quail, 1 to 2 squab, or 1 small duck.
- 2 servings equals 1 pheasant or 1 large duck.
- A large 2 to 2.75 kg (4 to 6 lb) goose should feed 4 to 6 people.

condos. "People seem willing to spend a little extra and make something dif-ferent," she says. "And ferent," she says. "And game birds aren't difficult



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## An alternative to Christmas turkey

#### **Guide to game**

Here are some tips when purchasing farmed game birds such as pheasant, squab, guinea fowl, quail, partridge, duck and goose, among others.

- Farmed game birds are similar in many ways to chicken, so learning the various techniques for handling and cooking chicken teaches you a great deal about how to vork with other birds
- Game birds are versatile. You can cook them by broiling, roasting or using any of your other favourite methods or recipes.

to cook."

One bird that is in vogue all year round is duck, says Atlin.

"It is the most popular of all the game birds," she says. "You will find duck in many grocery stores be-cause it is in demand."

The different breeds of ducks include Peking, the smallest, the Muscovy, which is fairly large, and the mallard duck, a cross between a Muscovy and a Peking. All are under 4.5 kilograms.

Duck can be prepared in a variety of ways including braising and roasting,

broiling.

Meli concurs on the popularity of duck. "I do fresh duck every week and I see that trend continuing, especially among my customers who want healthy meat. It is also locally

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#### Roasted Pheasants Preparation:

- Preheat oven to 220 C
- In a bowl, mix together mustard, paprika, salt, garlic and 125 ml (1/2 cup) of the butter to make a rub for pheasants.
- Remove excess fat from cavities and necks of pheasants, then rinse and pat dry. Run your finger between skin and flesh of breast and legs of each hen to loosen skin (the outside of the thighs are easier to access from neck end).
- Rub spice mix under skin and massage skin from outside to spread evenly over breast and legs. Season hens inside and out with salt and pepper and put half of herb stems in cavity of each bird.
- Tie legs together with kitchen string and close cavity with toothpicks. Brush additional melted butter over birds, if desired.
- Put pheasants in pan, breast sides up. Roast pheasants, basting every 10 minutes with a brush, until a thermometer inserted in thickest part of a thigh (without touching bone) registers 77 C (170 F), about 35

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 whole pheasants, each
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) Dijon hon-
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) smoked
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) salt
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 4 large sprigs each fresh fresh flat-leaf parsley, leaves and stems separat-
- 3 shallots, thinly sliced
- sodium chicken stock
- Discard string and to keep warm while making sauce.

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- about 1 kg (2 lb)
- ey mustard
- paprika
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) butter. divided
- thyme, fresh tarragon and ed, plus extra for garnish
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) low-
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) white
- toothpicks from birds and transfer to a platter. Cover birds loosely
- In a skillet, melt remaining butter. Saute shallots until soft. Skim fat from pan juices and add with chicken broth to shallots. Deglaze by boiling, scraping up brown bits, until reduced to about 125 ml (1/2 cup). Add wine and continue boiling for 1 minute. Pour sauce through a sieve into a sauce boat and spoon over pheasants.
- Chop additional herbs and scatter over pheasants. Makes 4 to 6 serv-

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# sports

**Scratches** 

Luca Ciampini

Halifax Mooseheads

made three of their

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in last June's draft

Thursday night.

Luca Ciampini

and Simon

(pictured) led the

way, followed by Andrew Ryan (19th)

Desmarais (28th).

nealthy scratches on

Second overall pick

The rebuilding

# Mooseheads run dry yet again

Moose fall behind 2-0 in first period and can't recover Outshoot Wildcats 30-23 but scoring drought continues



If only Charles Bety's scoring touch was contagious.

The 20-year-old forward continued his hot streak with another goal on Thursday night, but his Halifax Mooseheads teammates couldn't follow suit in a 3-1 loss to the Moncton Wildcats at the Metro Centre.

The Mooseheads can't shake a dry spell that has seen them score just 17 times in eight games and go 1-for-21 on the power play in their past five contests.

"For sure, when you see guys like (scoring leaders Carl) Gelinas and (Martin) Frk shooting and not scoring, it's frustrating for them," said Bety, who has seven points in six games and has picked up a point on six of the team's past seven goals.

"But that's the game. The only thing you can do is keep battling.'

The Mooseheads went 0for-3 with the man advantage and couldn't buy a goal while outshooting the





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#### At Metro Centre First Period

1. Moncton, Allain Saulnier 16 (Hrivik) 9:40 (pp). 2. Moncton, Alex Saulnier 14 (Allain Saulnier) 17:34. Second Period

3. Halifax, Charles Bety 10 (Frk)

4. Moncton, Cole MacMillan 4 (MacAusland, Pettersson) 9:19

#### (pp). Third Period

No Scoring.

Goaltenders (shots-saves)

Moncton: Shane Owen (30-29); Halifax: Mathieu Corbeil (23-20). Power plays (goals-chances) Moncton: 2-3; Halifax: 0-3. Attendance

Wildcats 30-23, but the Wildcats — whose power play operates at a deadly 27.2 per cent — had little trouble in that department, going 2-for-3.

That was the difference as the Mooseheads lost for the sixth time in seven games to fall to 10-21-0-1.

While Bety's scoring streak is modest, it's about the only thing the Mooseheads have to build on offensively.

"Charles is one of our best players and if you want to follow an example, you have to look at said rookie centre Francis Turbide.

"He's working hard and getting results.' Bety's goal cut a 2-0 Wildcats' lead in half early

in the second period. He drove to the net, took a pass from Martin Frk and put it in the top of the net.

He said there's no magical formula for his success.

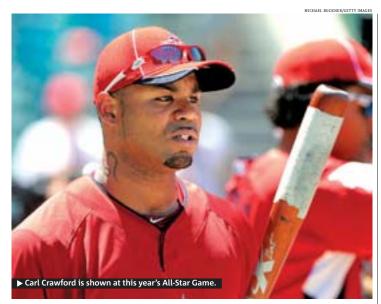
"I've gotten more ice

time and I've taken my op-portunities," Bety said. "The puck's bouncing for me and I'm a hard worker and the last week or so, it's

paid off.







#### **BoSox seal another deal**

A night after Carl Crawford enjoyed a steak dinner with the New York Yankees, he served up a meaty surprise: He is going to play for the rival Boston Red Sox.

The Red Sox struck again at these winter meetings, reaching agreement late Wednesday with the star left-fielder on a \$142-million US, seven-year contract.

Boston general manager Theo Epstein wouldn't directly confirm the move Thursday.

"If things come together the way we hope and expect, we'll be really satisfied," he said.

Predictably, the Yankees quickly raised the stakes for their No. 1 target, increasing their offer to prize pitcher Cliff Lee to a seven-year contract. That's up from a six-year proposal worth nearly \$140 million.

"He's a premier free agent," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. "He's worth waiting for"

#### All about Carl

More about the Red Sox' latest addition.

- The speedy Crawford is a four-time all-star and just won his first Gold Glove.
- He hit .307 with 19 home runs, an Al-leading 13 triples and 90 RBIs for Tampa Bay last season. He scored 110 runs and stole 47 bases.
- A dynamic player at 29, he has spent his entire major league career with the Rays.
- He is Tampa Bay's franchise leader in several categories, including hits, RBIs, runs and steals.

A person familiar with the Crawford deal told The Associated Press the agreement was subject to him passing a physical. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal was not yet finalized.

On Monday, the Red Sox announced they had ac-

quired slugging first baseman Adrian Gonzalez in a trade with San Diego.

"You go into every winter with a Plan A, and sometimes it's hard to pull that off and you move on to Plan B and C," Epstein said. "I think adding an impact player was very important for where we were in the short, medium and long term and adding two, as long as they were the right players in the right spots in the right situations, would be even better."

Boston's big deals came after the Red Sox failed to make the playoffs and ratcheted up pressure on the Yankees to make a splash.

"They're loading up like they always do," Cashman said. "This is more significant."

A person with knowledge of the negotiations told the AP about the increased offer to Lee, without disclosing the dollar amount.

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# New-look Rainmen set to get first test

Rainmen head to New Brunswick to tip off pre-season
 Thirteen players still vying for 10 spots on 2011 roster



The Halifax Rainmen will put their revamped roster through its first real test when they open the Premier Basketball League preseason Friday night.

The Rainmen, who visit the Saint John Mill Rats at Harbour Station in New Brunswick at 7 p.m., have 11 newcomers among 13 on their training camp roster. The club has spent the past three weeks battling it out twice a day in practice.

"We're anxious to get started," said Rainmen owner Andre Levingston. "After hitting and compet-



ing against one another, guys want some new flesh. It's going to be good for them and it's an opportunity for us to see how they perform under the lights."

Desmond Ferguson, an all-star small forward, will not play because of a hamstring injury. He and power forward Eric Crookshank are the team's only returnees.

Nine players currently have contracts, while four are with the team as tryouts. Ten will make the final roster.



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## **St-Pierre has choice** words for opponent

#### Champion set for fight in his hometown of Montreal

Georges St-Pierre let the cool facade slip Thursday, revealing a rare glimpse of what he truly thinks about

challenger Josh Koscheck.
The UFC welterweight
champion has ignored
Koscheck's jibes and trashtalking ahead of UFC 124.

But as the pre-fight news conference ended Thursday at a Bell Centre restaurant. the 29-year-old from Montreal made his feelings known.

Having defeated Koscheck already at UFC 74 in August 2007, St-Pierre said a second win would knock the brash American well down the 170-pound ladder.

And he made it clear that out of sight would be out of mind.

"So I'm going to beat him Saturday night and it's going to be the end of it," St-Pierre said forcefully.



"I'm at my best when I'm under pressure and I can't wait for Saturday night." GEORGES ST-PIERRE

"I'm not going to talk about him for a long, long time and I'm going to feel very happy."

St-Pierre's forceful words were followed by silence, before Koscheck tried for the last word.

"You like me that much?" he said in a comeback that fizzled.

St-Pierre (20-2) usually keeps his emotions in check, a practice that was tested by Koscheck during six weeks of filming of The Ultimate Fighter when the two served as rival coaches on the reality TV show.

Koscheck (17-4) continues to insist he has got inside St-Pierre's head.

"Yeah, I think I have. And I think that Georges has a lot of pressure coming into this fight," he said.

"He loses to a guy that

talked a lot of trash, a guy that isn't very well liked around here. So there's a lot of pressure on him to come out and put me away.

St-Pierre, dressed in a stylish suit, dismissed the suggestion that fighting in his hometown was more of a hindrance than help.

"Wherever the fight is, it's always the same octagon, the same thing. The only thing that has changed is my opponent," he said.

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32 Path 33 Cripple

34 Cleo's slaver

35 Carton 36 Nervous

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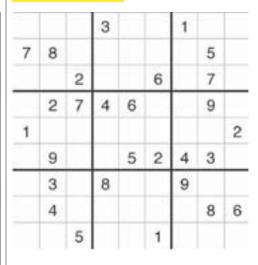
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#### Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 A plan of some kind may come unstuck but don't blame it on those around you. As Mercury, planet of communication and the mind, begins its retrograde phase setbacks of one kind or another are to be expected.

¥ Taurus April 21-May 21 You may want to confide in a friend or colleague today but is that wise? Can they be trusted with sensitive informa-

II Gemini May 22-June 21 Stop counting your losses and start counting your blessings. It may be easy to wallow in self-pity but if you make an effort to look on the bright side today you will quickly realize just how fortunate you are

#### Gancer June 22-July 22

Chances are you will fall out with a loved one or someone in a position of power over the next 24 hours. But that's okay. Every now and again you have to have these quarrels to clear the air.

son why something that worked well for you in the past now seems to be going wrong is because you made changes that were not needed.

TV Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Your opinions could get you into trouble today, especially if what you say offends people in positions of power. Will that warning stop you? Most likely not. With Mercury, your ruler, turning retrograde you just

#### can't help yourself.

← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You may see plots and conspiracies wherever you look but do so many people really have it in for you, or is your imagination playing tricks on you? It's the latter, of course

> M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Your task today is to do what-

ever it takes to put the smiles back on the faces of friends and relatives who seem to be a bit depressed.

#### → Sagittarius

Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You may be tempted to give up on a plan that isn't making much headway but don't be too hasty. Over the next few weeks, while Mercury is retrograde,

you are advised to leave it alone for a bit – but don't abandon it altogether.

り Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Don't get into a situation where you have to commit yourself to something that you may not want to be associated with in the long-term.

You will be prone to negative thoughts today, not because anything bad is happening but because your mind is looking

going wrong rather than what's going right. )-( Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

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